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Marginal Column  
By SHAYA SHAPIRO

**The expulsion of Mr. Tagay,** the Turkish Ambassador in Cairo, undoubtedly a political provocation, has had wide repercussions which may involve Turkey. Quite apart from its effect on Turco-Arab relations, it may have a certain influence on the general elections scheduled to take place later this spring in Turkey, the first since the last historic upset in 1950. Such incitements to violence, are not unknown in the election campaign (which has already reached full speed) of the two major parties. But outside these two parties or rather on their fringes — within the framework of the recently dissolved Nationalist Party and some obscure groups — reaction has been more evident during the past two years, and the foreign policy orientation of these shadowy organisations has been in favour of their financial backers, outside Turkey that is.

**THE policy of the ruling Democratic Party has, on the whole, been more tolerant towards retrograde tendencies than the line followed by Kemal Ataturk's Popular Party. For example, Islamic religious instruction was reintroduced after the Democratic victory in 1950; however, in view of the increased activity of the reactionary groups, the Democrats, too, were compelled to reconsider their original attitude. Following the attempted assassination by agents of the Muslim Brotherhood of Ahmed Nuri Yilmaz, the well-known liberal member, Samet Agcaoglu, the Vice-President and chief proponent of a "soft line," was dismissed. Subsequently, most of the fanatical sects were dissolved, and the reactionary groups suffered another setback when the "trial of the 107" in Istanbul, on that occasion, the chief prosecutor proved that the accused Communists had collaborated with extremist Moslem agents financed by the "Brotherhood" in Egypt and Syria. The main " liaison officer" with the ultra-reactionary (and rabid anti-Semitic) periodical "Buyuk Dogu."**

**THE last deliberate Egyptian effort, which was destined to harm Turkish national pride and sensitivities, and which will undoubtedly leave a lasting impression, is the third and perhaps most grievous blow these groups have received. That an Islamic reaction, especially in the countryside, cannot be littoral, was indicated when the photograph of one candidate, shown in his commencement robes from the American-directed Robert College, was circulated by his opponents with the caption that this proved he was a Christian clergyman. It is reported that this antagonist largely contributed to his defeat.**

**HOWEVER, the main rivalry in the forthcoming election, as far as statistics and political influences are concerned, is between the two large parties. The conclusion of the project of the Republican People's Party, a decision adopted by the Democratic parliamentary majority, appears to have created considerable excitement. The reason for this decision, according to the Democrats, is that their ranks, which had been the only state party for 22 years, have received considerable financial support from the Government; several hundred million Turkish pounds. In this way the party had acquired "People's Houses" in press ("Ulus" and other papers), and, especially in 1946, when the rival party was founded, it had gained an unfair advantage over its opponents.**

**THE REPUBLICAN POPULISTS consider that the Government has given them sufficient time and opportunity to show that they were willing to account for the money spent, but that this would have to be done before a neutral court, not in parliament. The Democrats passed the bill last month, with the Republicans walking out before the vote. (Previously they had moved both "Ulus" and their national headquarters in Ankara into new quarters). The leadership of the party has protested against the parliamentary decision, calling it unjust, and has asked its membership to send contributions to finance the party in the election campaign, a comeback — as a result of the elections — is possible but not very likely. Many of the Turkish non-party newspapers have opposed the measure, not because they think that the Democrats have "politically" principles (undoubtedly they have a strong case), but because they thought that the adoption of the decision on the eve of the elections was unfair.**

**Jerusalem, January 12.**

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## Final Draft Of Mapai-G.Z. Pact Is Drawn Up

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
The final draft of the Mapai-General Zionist coalition agreement, which it has been postponed until it is approved by the Mapai Central and the General Zionist Executive later this week.

A last-minute hitch was reported in the negotiations over some economic matters, but it was settled when Mr. Y. Saphir and Mr. Y. Serrin, Ministers of Communications and Health respectively, went to see the Prime Minister Designate, Mr. Moshe Sharett.

It was understood that efforts are being made to include the Progressives and Hapoel Hamizrahi and Mizrahi to remain in the coalition. The wording of the "four per cent clause" is understood to be such as not to preclude a revision if the offer proves entirely unacceptable.

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## Jewish Claims to Be Put Before Big Four

**LYDDA AIRPORT, Monday (GTM).** — The Jewish Claims Committee is to present two memoranda to the Big Four meeting in Berlin. One will be on Reparations claims from the East German Government, and the other on restitution claims from the Austrian Government.

### Jerusalem Sanitation Strike Continues

The general strike of the Jerusalem municipal staff will continue today with the sanitary workers remaining idle, although high level talks between the city management and the Government took place yesterday to open the way for a compromise on wage claims.

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### Khoushy Blames G.Z. For Bureaucracy

**HAIFA, Monday.** — The Minister of Interior and the General Zionists are trying to develop bureaucracy and to deprive the municipalities of most of their authority, Mayor Abba Khoushy charged in the Town Council on a previous occasion. He said that the municipality should not be maintained to this end, he continued, but no decision had yet been reached. Dr. Goldmann stated that he would not take up residence in Israel before 1965.

Although the Progressives are vague, and Hapoel Hamizrahi firm in their declarations, it is believed in the Knesset lobby that, within a week, an acceptable solution would be found, and if Sharett's first Cabinet was not to be substantially different from Mr. Ben Gurion's last one.

### Premium for Diamond Industry Discussed

**THE Economic Ministers' Committee yesterday discussed the diamond trade industry's demand for an additional premium above the 100 prdt. already granted on the IL 40,000 man stated last night, a sub-committee is to study the request.**

Finance Ministry sources point out, however, that it is hardly likely that the Government will grant an additional premium.

The Committee also discussed the problem of credit.

### U.S.-Israel Cattle Corp. To Sell \$1m. Stock

**LOS ANGELES, Monday (UP).** — The American-Israel Cattle Corp. announced today that it is preparing to sell \$1m. worth of its Class A stock, having received word from the Securities Exchange Commission that its registration statement has become effective.

The Corporation said that it has spent three years in developing its plans to establish a beef cattle industry in Israel.

### Knesset Begins Farm Debate

**By SHAYA SHAPIRO**

As the Knesset began an eight-hour debate on agricultural planning yesterday, it became clear that its members are aware of the social and security problems involved even more than of the economic aspect.

Strangely speaking, the division was between those who recommend a forced development programme sponsored and, to some extent, controlled by the Government and the Jewish Agency — and those who advise a more orthodox and careful approach.

The former, being mainly to widen their horizons, and were represented among others by Deputy Speaker Z. Shefer (Mapam), Mr. A. Zisling (Mapai) — both members of kibbutzim — and Mr. M. Chasani (Hapoel Hamizrahi).

The "orthodox" group was led by Mr. H. Ariav (General Zionists), a long-time Director General of the right-wing Farmers Association.

Strangely enough, Deputy Speaker B. Mintz (Poal Mizrachi) was practically the only one who stressed the security difficulties of the farmers.

He even cited a veritable letter which he had received from a Yemenite settler, describing the difficulties resulting from a mighty wind and delayed crops.

Mr. Mintz stressed the necessity of publicizing the use of agricultural products — a theme taken up by Mr. Chasani, who recalled that recently 10,000 tons of grapefruit had been sold within a few days by a producer who knew how to advertise.

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## West Won't Drop Guard as Price of Peace-Eden

**LONDON, Monday (Reuters).** — The Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden declared in a broadcast tonight that the West would never abandon its defensive arrangements with Russia, but that Russia is also entitled to guarantees of her security.

Referring to the North Atlantic alliance he said, "Whatever happens, we cannot give up this alliance, which is the foundation of our safety and threatens no one."

Mr. Eden stated that the West could also never abandon its stand on free all-electoral elections as "the first step towards democracy" is to be renounced.

Referring to the forthcoming four-power Berlin conference, he expressed the hope that the Russians would find it possible to meet the West on the essential point of free German elections.

He added: "It may be that they will ask us what assurances they can have so that a Germany recruited in this way will not one day fall back into aggressive habits and threaten Russian security. That would be a reasonable request even for a country as small and powerful as the Soviet Union."

**Public Campaign**  
A public campaign would be carried out in Austria, including public meetings and press propaganda, to draw attention to the Jewish claims for restitution on which at present no progress is being made. Dr. Goldmann said, if necessary, he would seek Secretary of State Foster Dulles to discuss the matter upon his return to the United States.

Saying that the Russians already have some far-reaching guarantees for their security, Mr. Eden cited the UN Charter and the undertakings given in the 1943 Anglo-Soviet Friendship Treaty as guarantees. Under the projected four-power Detente Community Treaty an international authority would supervise the German arms industry.

"If in spite of all these guarantees, the Russians still feel apprehensive about their security, we are quite prepared to examine new ways of removing this fear."

On the Middle East the Foreign Secretary said, "Probably the most powerful influence in Middle Eastern politics today is the growing force of nationalism. Like it or not, we have to recognise that for our relations with this country, peace is not to be sought at the expense of our neighbours. To do so would be to remove the basis of our responsibility for our policies. But equally, let me add, to fulfil our responsibilities is not simply to display selfish imperialism. Strategic needs do not stand still."

Also aboard the plane today was Mr. Arie Eshel, Israel Consul in Vienna, returning to the Austrian capital after consultations here.

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**Germany to Pay Israel \$60m. in Next Four Years**

**LONDON, Monday (INA).** — According to reports arriving here from Bonn, the Government of the German Federal Republic will reduce to 60m. its annual payment in goods to Israel for the next four years, beginning April 1. The agreement between Israel and West Germany stipulates the right of the German Government to reduce the annual rate of 74m.

Responsible Jewish quarters here had been confident that the higher figure would be maintained throughout the next year, especially in view of the extraordinary economic prosperity of the German Republic.

**BOAC Temporarily Suspends Comets**

**LONDON, Monday (Reuter).** — British Overseas Airways Corporation announced tonight that it is temporarily suspending normal passenger services of its Concorde jet liners following yesterday's crash in the Mediterranean with the loss of 45.

Meanwhile, fishing and naval vessels, as well as seaplane and other reconnaissance craft continued to search the crash area off the coast of the island of Elba for bodies of the victims. Flying boats brought in 150 men.

State Department spokesman Henry Suydam said late that the meeting had lasted for about half an hour "but no final decisions had been reached."

Mr. Zarubin said he had gone to the Department and he studied them on his departure by leaving on a private elevator.

The meeting, like two previous ones held in Moscow between Foreign Minister Molotov and U.S. Ambassador George F. Kennan, was adjourned after a 20-minute session.

Mr. Zarubin said he had gone to his office to arrange for resumption of the Korean peace talks.

The spokesman said that Mr. Chou's suggestion for a 90-day period for "explanation" to prisoners counted as "actual" and not as consecutive days is in contradiction to the armistice terms.

Mr. Zarubin was entertained by the Knesset Clerk, Mr. M. Rosette.

**Viscount Simon Dead at 80**

**LONDON, Monday (UP).** — Viscount Simon of Stockdale, former British Liberal and Conservative Minister in many Cabinets, died today at the age of 80 in Westminster Hospital.

Viscount Simon, one of the greatest legal minds of his time, gave up a £70,000 a year practice as a lawyer for politics. He served under Prime Ministers and was in the thick of affairs at the abdication of King Edward the VIII (the present Duke of Windsor) and during the Munich crisis.

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**Composer Oscar Straus Dead in Austria**

**VIENNA, Monday (UP).** — Oscar Straus, 83, world famous composer, died of heart disease in his home in Bad Ischl today.

In the course of his brilliant career, Straus composed "The Chocolate Soldier" and more than 50 other musical favourites, including operas, operettas and other show pieces. He also wrote music for the movies.

He was born on March 6, 1870, in Vienna, and studied here and in Berlin.

## Lebanon, Iraq Urging League Toward West

**Less than 48 hours after the Iraqi-Lebanese proposal to replace the Arab League with a new Arab Federation, the influential Beirut daily, "El Hayat," yesterday editorially called for a pro-Western orientation by the Arab states.**

The Iraqi-Lebanese proposal to the Arab League now meeting in Cairo is an open bid for a more moderate attitude towards the West as opposed to the Egyptian trend towards neutrality. This has been interpreted as an attempt to deprive Egypt of leadership of the Arab world.

The League's Political Committee met last night in Cairo under the chairmanship of Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi.

It discussed the Egyptian proposal of merging Arab polices in the East-West context. It also heard Dr. Fadil Jamali introduce his Federal Arab Union proposal.

New York, New York, advised that India today formally requested the UN Secretary-General to poll the 60 member nations whether to reconvene the 8th General Assembly to discuss the Korean situation on February 8.

**To Take Poll**  
United Nations officials stated that they would undertake the poll immediately. Approval of 31 of the 60 nations would be sufficient to reconvene the Assembly.

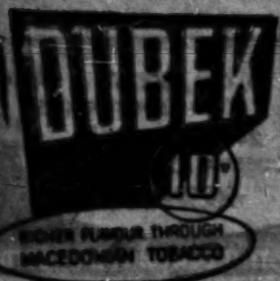
**Great Zionist Danger**  
Answering questions, Dr. Yaakov Young, M.P. and Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs under Mr. Ernest Bevin, arrived by El Al flight for a one-week visit at the end of the month.

Mr. Younger said that he believed the deadlock in the negotiations for a Korean political conference and the consequent halting of progress to be the result of the settlement of the Korean question also made the re-opening of the Assembly an urgent matter.

At Pannunjom, the Neutral Nations Reparation Commission adjourned after a 20-minute session.

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**Social & Personal**

The President yesterday received Mr. David A. Morse, Director General of the International Labour Organization. Mr. Peter Green, Mr. E. H. Egan's Executive Assistant, was there.

Mr. Morse was received by Knesset Speaker Yosef Sprinzak during the evening session of the Knesset yesterday.

Mr. & Mrs. Roger Tyler Jr., Consul General of the U.S. and Mrs. Tyler, were the hosts yesterday at a cocktail party at the Consulate, in Jerusalem, in honour of the International Labour Organization. Mr. Otto von Rottenberg played the piano.

Professor D. Juvenal Hernández, Rector of the University of Santiago, Chile, visited the Holy Sites of Nazareth yesterday.

Mr. A. Frankfurth, local manager of TWA, returned yesterday from a regional conference of his airline's managers held in Rome.

The Haifa Journalists' Association has elected a new committee consisting of Mr. Y. Gilbar, Mr. Mira, Mr. Schwartz and Mr. V. Frieder.

**EYTN SPEAKS TO ENGLAND**

Mr. Walter Eytan, Director General of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, was the guest speaker yesterday at a meeting of the Jerusalem Press Club.

Mr. S. Doron, Treasurer of the Jerusalem District Grand Lodge, who presided, revealed that four members of the Knesset, from Tel Aviv recently had joined Eytan with him in the city. They are Mr. Ishai Harari and Mr. N. Hosh, Mr. E. Avniel and Mr. G. Perlstein. This brings to 16 the number of Knesset Members belonging to Eytan's club.

**WHERE TO GO****JERUSALEM**

\* **Antique Exhibitions** last night at the site of the late Col. P.L.O. Our excavations. Dept. of Antiquities. Tel Aviv Shulman Rd. Daily 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **Liberation** - American Library and Reading Room. U.S. Consulate. Montefiore St. Tel Aviv. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **Exhibition** - Drawings by Leopold Krasker, oil and copper work by Abraham Lubell. Commercial exhibition. Exhibition of copper engravings by Joseph Nacht. Exhibit of the mouth-blown glass bottle Palestine workshop, first century C.E. Donald National Museum. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **Paintings** - Paintings by Ruth Atieno and Arthur Shmuel. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **Hetzron** - Hebrew University conducted new administration building. Herzl Street. Tel Aviv. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **Theatre** - Do-Do-Mi. "Cantata Mariana," Operetta. Tel Aviv. 8 p.m.

\* **Museum** - Oil paintings, mosaics and drawings by R. Lichtenstein. "Leopold the Artist and Man of Science." Photocopies and reproductions. "Leopold Krasker's workshop, first century C.E. Donald National Museum. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **Exhibition** - "Theater" Chamber Theatre premiere. Magrabi. 8 p.m.

\* **American Indian Dance** - "Tow-Wow." Impression. R. Cohen & Co. Tel Aviv. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **Concert** - Concert of Nagi Gafsi. 8 p.m.

\* **Music** - New Year's Eve of the Cocktail Club. 8 p.m.

\* **Nadera** - "Marr-a-Doo" Chamber Theatre. 8 p.m.

\* **Petach-Tikva** - Tel Aviv. 8 p.m.

\* **Theatre** - "The King" Rabbin. 8 p.m.

\* **Jerusalem Cinemas** - Tel Aviv. 8 p.m.

\* **ANON** - Berlin in the 1st. class. Tel Aviv. 8 p.m.

\* **EROD** - "The King and the Queen" Romance of a Queen. 8 p.m.

\* **OR-OR** - "The King and the Queen" Romance of a Queen. 8 p.m.

\* **SHALOM** - "The King" Rabbin. 8 p.m.

\* **HAIFA** - "The King" Rabbin. 8 p.m.

\* **EMERGENCY PHARMACEUTICALS** - Jerusalem. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

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\* **TELEVISION** - "The King" Rabbin. 8 p.m.

\* **ON THE AIR** - Tel Aviv. 8 p.m.

\* **PROGRAMME** - News: Hebrew. 8.30-9.30 a.m. Arabic. 8.30-9.30 a.m. English News: 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **SECOND PROGRAMME** - News: Hebrew. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **ENTERTAINMENT** - News: Hebrew. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

\* **CHILDREN'S** - News: Hebrew. 8.30-9.30 a.m.

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**THE** prospects for the Berlin conference do not appear to be as bright as at first indicated, as more sanguine observers had hoped.

**BERLIN** ability of the representatives of the four powers

to reach immediate agreement, or after short deliberations, on the site of the conference is surely not a very promising omen, though it does not mean that the conference is already doomed to failure. The Berlin meeting may be prelude to years of bargaining and to eventual compromise, but the real performance is hardly likely to begin — as last week's London "Economist" pointed out — until an organized Western Europe faces an organized Eastern Europe. This, at least, is the Western plan, and it is exactly what the East wishes to avoid.

The West obviously does not consider any territorial retreat in Europe, while the East, in view of the French political crisis and a coming American economic crisis, real or imagined, probably will think it foolish to make any compromises at present that are not absolutely necessary. This means that little freedom of action is left to either side; the expectation of any major agreement therefore seems precipitate.

If the West were prepared to give up all plans for West European political and economic integration and for common defence, or if the Russians were to agree to free elections in both East and West Germany, resulting very probably in the eclipse of the Communists, an understanding could easily be reached. Such eventualities appear highly unlikely at present, and the dangerously inflated hopes, especially in the West, gladly clung to by peoples yearning to return to normal, may easily cause an equally dangerous anti-climax of despair, if the talks should fail or not bring about the desired results. A realistic attitude, free of unwarranted hopes and illusions and of an equally unwarranted pessimism, seems to be the one required, until more tangible evidence of the intentions and the possible readiness of the two sides to compromise is available.

The Berlin conference, if it has the success which belatedly will be of considerable importance to this country and the Jewish people in general, German and Austrian Reparations are not the only issues of vital interest to us, but they seem to be among the most important, directly or indirectly affecting us. The main issue, Dr. Goldmann announced yesterday that the Jewish world organizations and Israel will demand that if Germany is unified, the duties taken upon itself by the West should be transferred to the rest of Germany. Theification of Germany appears to be a rather distant possibility at the present moment, but political action is needed, be it only in view of the rabid and persistent propaganda against Israel Reparations which has been carried on in recent weeks by the East German Government, and which in its tenor is not radically different from the Nazi propaganda against the Jewish capitalists exploiting the German workers and smuggling their profits abroad.

East Germany, which rested property to ex-Nazis both before and after the days of June, 1953, should not be allowed to exert any influence over the Jewish property even if this is done under some transparent "ideological" cover. It should be regretted that the whole matter of East German Reparations has hitherto been given much too little consideration in this country and by the Jewish world organizations and it is clear that urgent action is needed. Some reparations are inspired by the present sculptural vogue for mobiles. What is attractive about Peter's work is its severe simplicity of form, relieved here and there by inlaid bronze, and its continuing to "work" to torpedo the experts' attempts to get rid of it.

If the issue of the Austrian peace treaty is to be raised again and there are many signs to that effect, the various sections of the world Jewish organizations will likewise demand that the obligations of the Austrian Government be similarly the victims of the same fate. This should be done in the very shortest possible time. The Government should be forced by the Austrian Government and its attempts to enforce its obligation as well known and most no reversion. A.A.C. One should however, the joint statement of the Jewish people will be issued on this and other subjects in the near future.

## BERLIN and the COLD WAR

By RICHARD LOWENTHAL  
*This is the first of a series of articles on the coming Berlin conference.*

**BERLIN** (O.P.N.S.) — THE four-Power conference which is to open here on January 25, will be the first serious attempt since 1949 to resolve the cold war stalemate in Europe. Then, the four-power conferences of New York and Paris met to liquidate the last great Soviet adventure in Europe — the Berlin blockade. Soviet expansion on the old continent had clearly been fought to a standstill: the Communist defeat in the Italian elections of 1948, the Soviet detection of Yugoslavia from the Soviet camp and the collapse of the guerrilla war in Greece were proof of that fact, as was the failure of the blockade itself. The time for a territorial settlement, including a decision on the future of the city, seemed to have come.

The stunning block was the signal of the control of a united Germany. The Soviets proposed a return to full four-Power control as provided by the Potzdam agreement, with the right of each occupying Power to veto any decision. The Western Powers were prepared only to accept four-Power control under an Austrian model, under which an Austrian law becomes effective unless vetoed unanimously by all four occupying Powers. In later years, the Russians may frequently have regretted that they were not able to accept this Austrian solution in 1949. For a few months later the Federal Republic of Western Germany and the "German Democratic Republic" in the East came into being; and when Communist aggression in Korea prompted the Western rearmament drive in the following year, the movement for building up an integrated Western Europe, including Western Germany, had become linked with plans for the Western Germany within the European Defence Community.

**LIMITING ARMAMENTS**  
Today, as in 1949, the four Powers meet at a time when a stage in the cold war has clearly ended. The Korean war has ended in stalemate, and the armament race which it began has reached a point where both sides wish to slacken the pace. Atomic competition has put at the disposal of both sides the means of total annihilation, and has left the West with a great advantage in the possession of ready tactical weapons for local military destruction.

There are several kinds of such fears and fears of one another and fears of a rearmed Germany. On the Soviet side, the principal anxiety seems to be that a rearmed Germany, if allied with the West in one form or another, would use its strength one day to recover its lost eastern provinces by aggression and would be backed in this enterprise by those elements in the United States which desire to "liberate" Eastern Europe by force.

As long as this fear exists, Russia will clearly not consent to German unity in freedom, nor will it withdraw its occupation forces from German soil.

On the Western side, there is the fear that the pressure of the Russian armies, even after a possible withdrawal from Germany, will still not be matched by any Western forces. Despite my ugly signature and gun tunic, and my 11 years, I felt very grown-up as I gave my specimen signature to the clerk. I remember how sorry I felt that I had not cultivated a more elaborate signature — mine looked so easy to forge! Fortunately, the Western Powers will clearly not renounce their plan of tying either a divided or a united Germany to the Western alliance.

To overcome these fears a German settlement would have to satisfy three conditions:

1) assure a disengagement of Russian and U.S. forces from the centre of Europe.

### Oils, Watercolours and Jewellery

THE "Traclin" Gallery's second show is shared by six watercolorists and an exhibition of silver jewellery.

All six artists are well known and require no special introduction. A. Zemsky, who sees his subjects as a whole, obtains space by means of a division into planes. D. Hender chiefly uses pen and ink, heightened by a pale wash; his nervous line is expressive. At the opposite pole, A. Strelatzky almost abandons line to create a tension of colour. N. Guiman exudes ease in use of colour, clarity of line and command of space. Last is the Haifaite, M. Avniel, whose proper medium undoubtedly is watercolour; this is even more clear in the works painted abroad.

Each of these six artists of varied styles and personalities, possesses the spontaneity which is the very essence of watercolours. They are not afraid of bright fresh colours (though Hender is mainly a draughtsman); together they demonstrate the watercoloristic imaginative approach to the Israeli scene.

THIS jewellery has been produced by Yohanan Peter, a Tel Avivian who is settling in Ein Hod. Silver brooches, earrings and bracelets seem to draw their basic designs from the study of leaf forms. In some cases this connection is transparent; in others a mere curve indicates the original connection. There is also a primitive and somewhat archaic touch. Some bracelets are inspired by the present sculptural vogue for mobiles. What is attractive about Peter's work is its severe simplicity of form, relieved here and there by inlaid bronze, and its continuing to "work" to torpedo the experts' attempts to get rid of it.

If the issue of the Austrian peace treaty is to be raised again and there are many signs to that effect, the various sections of the world Jewish organizations will likewise demand that the obligations of the Austrian Government be similarly the victims of the same fate. This should be done in the very shortest possible time. The Government should be forced by the Austrian Government and its attempts to enforce its obligation as well known and most no reversion. A.A.C. One should however, the joint statement of the Jewish people will be issued on this and other subjects in the near future.

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### Conference Poses Publicity Problems

**LONDON** (O.P.N.S.) — ONE of the problems which the new conference committee in Whitehall has to handle is the publicity of the forthcoming "Foreign Ministers" conference in Berlin. It is agreed that the conference of New York and Paris must be liquidated by the last Soviet adventure in Europe — the Berlin blockade. Soviet expansion on the old continent had clearly been fought to a standstill: the Communist defeat in the Italian elections of 1948, the Soviet detection of Yugoslavia from the Soviet camp and the collapse of the guerrilla war in Greece were proof of that fact, as was the failure of the blockade itself.

It is now recognized in official circles in London that the publicity arrangements at the Berlin conference must be handled with care. The Western Powers are to be held responsible for the Berlin blockade, and the press will be on hand, and the sheer weight of numbers is coming to bear on the conference.

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